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Copenhagen, December 27.

M. Sebeſtedt, Secretary of State to the King of Denmark has by his Order informed the Lords Polwarth and Glenorchy, his Britannick Majeſty's Miniſters at this Court, That M. Baſſewitz and Helpen the Duke of Holſtein's Miniſters have declared to the Daniſh Miniſter at Vienna, that the Duke their Maſter is ready to take Poſſeſſion of the Dutchy of Holſtein, which the King of Denmark has promiſed to reſtore: And that his Daniſh Majeſty has thereupon given Orders for the reſtoring of the ſaid Dutchy to that Duke, as ſoon as his Commiſſaries ſhall come to take Poſſeſſion of it.

Hague, Dec. 31. The Commiſſioners of the ſeveral Admiralties were here ſome Days ago, to confer with the Deputies of the States General, upon a Project they have had under Conſideration for ſome Time, to alienate and farm for three Years half of the Duties of their Cuſtom-Houſes, and take ſtricter Meaſures than formerly for the Collecting of the ſaid Duties, which are propoſed to be leſſened, but better managed. The Deſign is like to take Effect; but it is feared there will be ſome Difficulties in the Execution of it; for the Magiſtrates are always for favouring the Merchants in the Point of the Duties of the Cuſtoms. Yeſterday the Marqueſs Beretti Landi, Ambaſſadour of the King of Spain, took Leave in form of the States, having for that Purpoſe deſired a Conference with their Deputies, to whom he gave great Aſſurances of the King his Maſter's good Intentions to this Republick. He propoſes to ſet out in a few Days for Valenciennes; and after ſome Stay there to proceed to Cambray: Whither Count Windiſchgratz, the Emperour's Penipotentiary, will likewiſe be going in a little Time. The Council of State preſented to the States General on the 28th Inſtant, an Eſtimate of the Military Expences neceſſary for the enſuing Year, to be ſent to the reſpective Provinces; which is ſaid to be the ſame as that for the laſt Year. 'Tis adviſed from Bruſſels, that Mr. Law was gone from thence to Cologne, in his Way to Rome.

Paris, Jan. 4. On the 1ſt Inſtant in the Evening the King, accompanied by the Duke of Bourbon, went to the Church of the Jeſuites, to aſſiſt at the Service which was celebrated there by that Society. The Mareſchal de Villeroy was confined that Day by the Gout. The General Aſſembly of the India Company which was held at the Bank on the 2d Inſtant laſted above five Hours, by Reaſon of the ſeveral Debates which aroſe with Relation to the Intereſts of that Company. The chief Reſolutions taken that Day were, that the Duke Regent be continued Governour of the Company, and the Duke of Bourbon declared Vice Governour. Eight honorary Directors were appointed, viz. the Prince of Vendome, the Dukes of Gramont, d'Antin, and de Chaulnes, the Mareſchal d'Etrées, the Marqueſſes de Mezier and de Laſé, and M. Landiviſian. Eight other Perſons well ſkilled in Commerce are joined with them, in order to give their Opinion when they ſhall be conſulted by them. The Company reſigns the General Farms, the General Receipt, and the Profits of the Mint; and the King takes upon him the Annuities of the Town-Houſes, the Annuity-Actions, the Annuities for Lives, and the Provincial Annuities. The Farm of the Tobacco remains to the Company for 15 Years; and they are to be exempt from the half of the Cuſtoms of Importation and Exportation. His Majeſty promiſes them never to eſtabliſh any other Company. Another Aſſembly is appointed to be held on the 9th Inſtant, when they will proceed to the Choice of new Directors; and a Committee is to ſit twice a Week to receive and report the Repreſentations and Memorials of the Proprietors of the Actions. The King has appointed M. Trudaine, de Machault, and Ferrant, Counſellours of State, his Commiſſaries, to take Care of his Intereſts in Matters relating to the India Company. The Receivers General of the Finances are re-eſtabliſhed upon the Foot they were formerly. It is ſaid that they are to advance 40 Millions, one half in ready Money, and the other in Notes under their Hands payable at certain Terms, which they may reimburſe themſelves in a limited time. The Cardinal de Polignac being returned from his Abbey of Anchin was introduced to the King on the 2d Inſtant. The Departure of the Cardinal de Rohan for Rome is put off for ſome time. The Chancellour and the Archbiſhop of Cambray did not come to the Sorbonne on the 2d Inſtant as was expected, and nothing material paſſed that Day in the Aſſembly of that Faculty.

Whitehall, Dec. 31, 1720.

The Perſon who wrote a Letter the 29th Inſtant ſubſcribed B. J. to the Right Honourable Mr. Secretary Craggs, is deſired to come to Mr. Secretary any Morning at his Office at the Cockpit Whitehall.

The Lords and others Commiſſioners for the Affairs of the Royal Hoſpital near Chelſea hereby give Notice, that all the Out-Penſioners belonging to the ſaid Hoſpital reſiding in London, and within 20 Miles thereof, are required to make their perſonal Appearance before the 25th of March next, at the Secretary's Office in the ſaid Hoſpital, where Attendance will be given Tueſdays and Wedneſdays only, in order to take their ſaid Appearance; and that all ſuch Out-Penſioners who are at a further Diſtance, do forthwith apply themſelves to the next Juſtice of the Peace where they reſide, and make Oath of their being Penſioners of the ſaid Hoſpital, mentioning the Regiment they did belong to, their Age, how wounded or diſabled, the preſent Place of their Abode,